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1. FYI. IN THE INTEREST OF KEEPING OUR NATO ALLIES
INFORMED OF THE ACTIONS BEING CONSIDERED FOR RESTRUCTURING
US CONVENTIONAL FORCES IN EUROPE, MISSION MAY DRAW ON THE
FOLLOWING AS APPROPRIATE IN RESPONDING TO QUERIES ON
REDUCTIONS AND CONVERSIONS RELATED TO THE NUNN AMENDMENT.

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AS PLANS ARE PULLED TOGETHER AND IMPLICATIONS ASSESSED,

YOU WILL BE FURTHER ADVISED. UNDER CONSIDERATION
IS SECDEF LETTER TO SYG LUNS SOMETIME BEFORE
THE MINISTERIALS IN DECEMBER REPORTING PLANNED NUNN
AMENDMENT MANPOWER SHIFTS. END FYI.

2. AMBASSADOR RUMSFELD FIRST CALLED THE PROVISION OF THE
NUNN AMENDMENT TO THE ATTENTION OF THE DPC PERMREPS IN
SEPTEMBER. BOTH SECRETARY SCHLESINGER AND SECRETARY
CALLAWAY DISCUSSED ADDING THE EQUIVALENT OF TWO BRIGADES
AND OTHER GROUND COMBAT ELEMENTS IN PRESS INTERVIEWS
DURING THEIR RECENT TRIPS TO EUROPE. IN ADDITION, THE
HEAD OF THE US TEAM (MGEN MCAULIFFE) REVIEWED THE
ESSENTIAL POINTS OF THE NUNN AMENDMENT AND ITS IMPLICATIONS

DURING THE DRC MULTILATERAL EXAMINATION OF THE US FORCE
PLAN (DPQ REPLY). ASSISTANT SECRETARY BREHM, MR. MURRAY
AND LTG ELDER ALSO HAD EXTENSIVE CONTACTS AND DISCUS-
SIONS WITH NATO COMMANDERS AND STAFFS LATE IN OCTOBER AT
AFCENT, NORTHAG, 2 ATAF, CENTAG, AND 4 ATAF ON MANPOWER
AND RESTRUCTURING IMPLICATIONS.

3. IN ALL OF THESE INTERVIEWS AND DISCUSSIONS, IT HAS
BEEN EMPHASIZED THAT THE US INTENT IS TO CONVERT SUPPORT
PERSONNEL INTO COMBAT PERSONNEL AND COMBAT UNITS FOR THE
PURPOSE OF INCREASING THE COMBAT CAPABILITY OF US FORCES
IN EUROPE, WHILE MAINTAINING ESSENTIAL SUPPORT FORCES
ALSO AND RELYING TO SOME EXTENT ON HOST COUNTRY SUPPORT.

4. IF QUERIED ABOUT THE PROGRESS OF THE PLANNING AND
RESPONSE TO THE NUNN AMENDMENT, SYG AND ALLIES MAY BE
TOLD THAT THE US IS INVOLVED IN EXTENSIVE ANALYSIS AND
REVIEW OF THE VARIOUS PROPOSALS FOR IMPLEMENTING
SELECTIVE NONCOMBAT TO COMBAT CONVERSIONS TO INCLUDE
EVALUATING THE IMPLICATIONS ON MBFR OPTIONS AND
NEGOTIATIONS. IT IS ANTICIPATED THAT WITHIN THE NEXT FEW
WEEKS OUR WORK IN THIS AREA WILL BE FURTHER DEVELOPED TO
THE POINT WHERE SECDEF WOULD BE IN A POSITION TO PROVIDE
A PROGRESS REPORT AND US PROPOSALS TO SYG LUNS, TO
INCLUDE THE FACTORS THAT HAVE ENTERED THE PUBLIC DOMAIN,
AS WELL AS OTHER SPECIFIC ITEMS REFLECTING RECENT ACTIONS.

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LASTLY, WE ARE PROPOSING THAT SECDEF WOULD ADDRESS ALL
THREE ASPECTS OF THE NUNN AMENDMENT IN HIS INTERVENTION
AT THE DPC MINISTERIAL MEETING.

5. FOR USMISSION NATO:

YOU MAY WISH TO INFORM SYG LUNS OF OUR PLANS AND THE
STATUS OF THE NUNN AMENDMENT PROGRESS STRESSING THAT THIS
IS NOT FORMAL NOTIFICATION, BUT IS PART OF THE CONTINUING
CONSULTATION PROCESS; AND IF LUNS AGREES, YOU WOULD

RAISE IT AT A PERMREP LUNCHEON.

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